

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF WOOD CREEK WATER)
DISTRICT FOR A DEVIATION FROM THE)
RULES REQUIRING WATER STORAGE FOR) CASE NO. 10048
THEIR WHOLESALE CUSTOMERS AND FROM)
INSPECTION OF THEIR SERVICE LINES)

O R D E R

By letter received October 6, 1987, Wood Creek Water District ("Wood Creek") requested a deviation from 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(4) which requires a water utility to insure a minimum of one day's supply of its average daily water usage. Wood Creek also requested a deviation from 807 KAR 5:066, Section 10(3) which requires utility inspection of service line installation.

On December 3, 1987, the Commission ordered Wood Creek to provide additional information to supplement its requests for a deviation. Wood Creek filed supplementary information with the Commission on May 5, 1988. Wood Creek stated that its customers are required to obtain a plumbing construction permit before any tap on is being made.

However, Wood Creek did not fully comply with the request for additional information. To expedite this matter, the Commission has reviewed Wood Creek's previous filings in Case No. 9594, The Application of Wood Creek Water District, of Laurel County, Kentucky, for Approval of Construction, Financing, and Increased Water Rates, in order to obtain the information necessary to proceed with a review of Wood Creek's application.

The Commission, having reviewed the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. The Kentucky Department of Housing, Building and Construction, in accordance with KRS 318.134, requires that a permit be obtained for the installation of customers' service lines.

2. State plumbing inspectors of the Department of Housing, Building and Construction, in accordance with KRS 318.134, make inspections of customers' service lines, except for those installations made for farmsteads or those installations under the jurisdiction of local government inspectors.

3. Excluding those customers service lines that are not inspected by state plumbing inspectors per KRS 318.134 or local government plumbing inspectors per KRS 318.140, Wood Creek's requested deviation from the requirements of 807 KAR 5:066, Section 10(3) should be granted.

4. Wood Creek is in the process of seeking additional funds from Farmers Home Administration for construction of additional storage facilities. Because of the time needed to plan, finance, and implement a program to increase its water storage facilities, Wood Creek should be granted a deviation from 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(4) until September 1, 1991 to bring it within compliance of the Commission's water storage requirements.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Wood Creek's request for a deviation from 807 KAR 5:066, Section 10(3) for those service lines inspected by state or local plumbing inspectors under KRS 318 be and it hereby is granted.

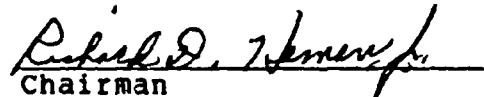
Wood Creek shall, however, conduct such inspections where the same are not provided by state or local plumbing inspectors under KRS 318.

2. Wood Creek be and it hereby is granted a deviation from 807 KAR 5:066, Section 5(4) until September 1, 1991.

3. Wood Creek shall take all necessary action to bring its water storage facilities within compliance of the Commission regulations prior to the expiration date of the deviation herein granted.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of June, 1988.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director